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Ms. Alice Fuerst  
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Agency, Region VII  
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Dear Ms. Fuerst:

In my letter of January 14, CH2M HILL submitted a proposed OUFS Report schedule to EPA Region VII to complete the Final OUFS by March 2. The letter provided the background leading up to that schedule, and provided the reasons why it would be difficult to shorten that schedule.

We have subsequently received verbal directives from you that Region VII could not let the report delivery go beyond February 19. I responded verbally with a plan to meet that objective, with the understanding that the shorter schedule leaves no room at all for making any significant changes to the Draft OUFS. Since no one has had the opportunity to review the report as one entire package, it may be necessary to make such revisions if a critical element is uncovered during our final review process. Therefore, we cannot guarantee this shorter schedule.

I have discussed with you the necessary actions to implement the February 19 schedule, and as per your request I have put in a fast track schedule. The fast track schedule requires several costs, and I understand that if that is not the

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- o Isolate senior staff in Denver February 8 through 12 to conduct final review, make decisions on critical revisions, and complete revisions. You and other EPA/KDHE staff are invited and encouraged to attend. This workshop will be held at a local hotel.
- o Work weekends during February to complete the OUFS, work on PRP comments, and complete the GPR Technical Memorandum.
- o Make special provisions for typing and technical editing over two weekends.
- o Isolate senior staff in Denver in late March for a 3- to 5-day workshop to address public and PRP comments.

The fast track schedule will require expenditure of project funds prior to receiving formal approval through the work plan revision process. The WPRR is being prepared and will be submitted to the Region within a few days. However, the report will be done before the WPRR process is complete. As per our telephone conversations over the past week or more, I interpret this as the approach you want. Again, if this is not the case, I need to know immediately. I will contact you daily through the next two weeks to keep you informed, and we hope to have a very productive workshop next week.

Sincerely,



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